OFFICE OF PARTNERSHIPS AND REGULATORY ASSISTANCE AIR PROGRAM 12/5/16 WEEKLY ACTIVITY REPORT

UPCOMING MEETING WITH UDAQ, UTE TRIBE, AND OIL AND GAS OPERATORS TO DISCUSS THE RECENT UINTA BASIN EMISSIONS INVENTORY:

The Air Program will be meeting with UDAQ, the Ute Tribal Air Program and Operators on 12/12/2016 via webinar to share our analysis of the recently completed Uinta Basin Emission Inventory (UBEI). We will show results of our detailed comparative analysis between: (1) Indian country vs. state in the UBEI; (2) UBEI-Indian country vs. the UB Tribal Minor Source Registration data; and (3) UBEI (state and Indian country) vs. Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program subpart W. All three emissions data sets were submitted by Operators. Research in the Basin indicated a discrepancy between top-down measurements and bottom-up emission inventories. The UBEI indicates lower VOC emissions than used previously which widens that discrepancy. Our purpose in meeting with the Operators is to be transparent in our analysis so that together we can arrive at a solid and sound emission inventory which will become our new benchmark in the Basin. We will contact the Operators individually after the webinar to ask specific questions to address anomalies identified in our analyses.

Information only; no action required by RA/DRA.

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